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STERLING STAFF CONCERT
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Ann Marie Obressa, lyric coloratura soprano, will be heard in a Mu Phi Epsilon Sterling Staff Series Concert sponsored by the University of Montana chapter of the international professional music sorority Friday, December 9, at 8:15 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

Miss Obressa is one of two 1966 winners of the nationwide biennial competition conducted by the Mu Phi Epsilon Memorial Foundation to select performers for the Sterling Staff Series.

The series gives young artists the opportunity to appear in programs sponsored by Mu Phi Epsilon chapters from coast to coast, according to Sharon Weaver, Anaconda, president of Epsilon Rho chapter. These tours form a bridge of experience between the performer's debut and professional concert career.

Miss Obressa was a finalist in the Metropolitan Opera auditions in New York and the alternate winner of the San Francisco Opera auditions in Denver, Colo. She has sung operatic roles at Castle Hill in Ipswich, Mass., appearing as the Queen of Night in Mozart's "The Magic Flute" and Miss Wordsworth in Britten's "Albert Herring."

She is a graduate of the Oberlin Conservatory of Music and has studied at the Mozarteum Academy in Salzburg, Austria, and at the New England Conservatory of Music. She and her husband, James Miller, currently serve as teacher-artists at Friends University in Wichita, Kan.

Tickets are available at the Music building office, the Music Center at Holiday Village, and from Mu Phi members.